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Mr. Chairman:

According to the e-NC Authority's Statewide Survey of Business Internet Usage in North Carolina, only "62.8% of North Carolina businesses and organizations are connected to the Internet." Of those connected to the Internet, "urban firms and organizations are more likely than rural firms and organizations to use computers (85% urban compared with 77.3% rural) and be connected to the Internet (67.5% urban compared with 57.8% rural)."

It is critical that all businesses and organizations have the opportunity to be connected to the Internet without having to worry about the high cost many are still facing today. Affordable access to broadband internet access is necessary. Our businesses and organizations, regardless of size or location, deserve the opportunity to compete and expand.

Please support the proposal which offers free, wireless broadband internet access to all Americans and help those small businesses and entrepreneurs gain the access they need to develop and move forward.

Sincerely,


Herb Greene
Commissioner

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